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Idaho Prospective Plantings for 2010

All wheat planted in Idaho is expected to total 1.38 million acres, up 5 percent from last year, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Spring wheat plantings are expected to be 580,000 acres, 5 percent more than last year. Winter wheat seedings, at 780,000 acres, increased 5 percent from the 2009 crop. Durum wheat seedings are expected to total 20,000 acres, unchanged from 2009. Idaho farmers intend to seed 300,000 acres of field corn in 2010, unchanged from last year. Barley seedings are expected to total 530,000 acres, unchanged from last season. Oat seedings are expected to be 70,000 acres, down 12 percent from last year. Dry bean planting intentions increased 25 percent from last year to 125,000 acres. Dry bean estimates include chickpeas, which are grown primarily in North Idaho. Chickpea planting intentions totaled 43,000 acres, up 32 percent from 2009. All hay expected to be harvested, at 1.48 million acres, is down 2 percent from 2009. Sugarbeet plantings are expected to total 169,000 acres, up 3 percent from last year. Lentil acreage is expected to be 50,000 acres, down 6 percent from 2009. Dry edible pea acreage, at 30,000 acres, up 63 percent from 2009. Canola acres are expected to total 18,000 acres, up 20 percent from 2009.

Nationally, growers intend to plant 88.8 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2010, up 3 percent from both last year and 2008. Oat growers intend to plant an estimated 3.36 million acres, down 1 percent from the 3.40 million acres planted in 2009. Barley producers intend to plant 3.27 million acres for the 2010 crop year, down 8 percent from the previous year. If realized, this will be the lowest barley planted acreage on record, well below the previous record low of 3.45 million acres established in 2006. All wheat producers intend to plant 53.8 million acres for the 2010 crop year, down 9 percent from the previous year. The 2010 winter wheat planted area is estimated at 37.7 million acres, down 13 percent from 2009 but up 2 percent from the Winter Wheat Seedings report. Area seeded to Durum wheat is estimated at 2.22 million acres, down 13 percent from 2009. Spring wheat growers intend to plant 13.9 million acres this year, up 5 percent from 2009. Hay producers expect to harvest 60.5 million acres of all hay in 2010, up 1 percent from 2009. Canola producers intend to plant 1.23 million acres in 2010, up 49 percent from 2009. Sugarbeets area planted for the 2010 crop year is expected to total 1.17 million acres, down 1 percent from the previous year. Dry beans growers intend to plant 1.77 million acres in 2010, up 15 percent from last year. Expected area planted for all chickpeas is 130,600 acres, up 36 percent from last year and 56 percent higher than 2008. Lentils area planted for the 2010 crop year is expected to total 510,000 acres, up 23 percent from 2009 and 88 percent above two years ago. Dry edible peas growers intend to plant 837,000 acres, down 3 percent from 2009. Austrian winter peas area planted for the 2010 crop year is expected to total 29,500 acres, up 44 percent from a year ago. Acreage actually planted may vary from those indicated as a result of weather, economic conditions, availability of production inputs and the effect of this report itself.